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Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, applicants, through their undersigned representative, are submitting herewith copies of an International Search Report which also includes a Written Opinion by the ISA/US, for the USPTO's consideration. It is noted that the three (3) cited documents therein were previously submitted in connection with a listing thereof in an IDS filed at the time of filing the above-identified application. Therefore, a listing thereof is not included herewith.

This Information Disclosure Statement (IDS), as far as known, is being submitted prior to the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits.

(A copy of an International Preliminary Report on Patentability, which has prematurely repeated the findings in the above-referenced written

opinion, is also enclosed herewith, in order to complete the record, in keeping with the duty of disclosure/candor requirements.)

It is submitted, this IDS is in compliance with the rules of practice as well as with USPTO guidelines; therefore, applicants respectfully request that it be entered and duly considered by the USPTO. Also, acknowledgement of such entry as well as of formal consideration thereof by the Examiner is respectfully requested.

Please charge any fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the deposit account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Case: 1313.43670X00), and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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